



**REQUEST
FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
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| Application No. | 09/966,830 |
| Filing Date | September 28, 2001 |
| First Named Inventor | David A. Bottom |
| Art Unit | 2143 |
| Examiner Name | Neurauter, George C. |
| Attorney Docket Number | 42390P12322 |

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR § 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

1. **Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114** Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).

a. Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.

i. Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on _____ (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).

ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____

iii. Other _____

b. Enclosed

i. Amendment/Reply iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

ii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) iv. Other _____

2. **Miscellaneous**

a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)

b. Other _____

3. **Fees** The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

a. The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 02-2666.

i. RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) and any additional claims fee(s)

ii. Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.136 and 1.17)

iii. Other: Change 08/23/2005 ERYALEW1 00000014 022666 09966830

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| FEES TRANSMITTAL for FY 2005 | | Complete if Known | |
| Patent fees are subject to annual revision. | | Application Number | 09/966,830 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. | | Filing Date | September 28, 2001 |
| TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT | | (\$) | 790.00 |
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| Examiner Name | | Neurauter, George C. | |
| Art Unit | | 2143 | |
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FEE CALCULATION

| Large Entity | Small Entity | Fee Description | Fee Paid |
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| Fee Code | Fee (\$) | Fee Code (\$) | |
| 1051 | 130 | 2051 65 | Surcharge - late filing fee or oath |
| 1052 | 50 | 2052 25 | Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet. |
| 2053 | 130 | 2053 130 | Non-English specification |
| 1251 | 120 | 2251 60 | Extension for reply within first month |
| 1252 | 450 | 2252 225 | Extension for reply within second month |
| 1253 | 1,020 | 2253 510 | Extension for reply within third month |
| 1254 | 1,590 | 2254 795 | Extension for reply within fourth month |
| 1255 | 2,160 | 2255 1,080 | Extension for reply within fifth month |
| 1401 | 500 | 2401 250 | Notice of Appeal |
| 1402 | 500 | 2402 250 | Filing a brief in support of an appeal |
| 1403 | 1,000 | 2403 500 | Request for oral hearing |
| 1451 | 1,510 | 2451 1,510 | Petition to institute a public use proceeding |
| 1460 | 130 | 2460 130 | Petitions to the Commissioner |
| 1807 | 50 | 1807 50 | Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q) |
| 1806 | 180 | 1806 180 | Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt |
| 1809 | 790 | 1809 395 | Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a)) |
| 1810 | 790 | 2810 395 | For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b)) |
| Other fee (specify) RCE Filing Fee | | | |
| SUBTOTAL (2) | | | (\$) |
| | | | 790.00 |

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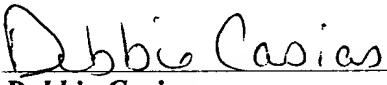
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